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Re: Application: 09/939,449
Filed: 08/25/2001
First Named Inv Thomas J. Pearsall
For: "Edge Sharpener"

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action mailed June 17, 2004. By this and a separate accompanying letter including the appropriate fee, a two-month extension of time for the response is requested.

Applicants note with appreciation the itemized withdrawals of seven previous rejections. Applicants' intentions below also are to treat in detail each and every new point made by the Examiner.

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03 FC:2202

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Amendments

Please note that a complete listing of the current status of the claims is appended hereto.

Please amend claim 1 as follows.

1. (Currently amended) An article useful for edge sharpening comprising a metal body having at least one honing surface comprising a ceramic coating ~~coated with a ceramic~~ created in an electrolytic bath, said honing surface ~~characterized by having~~ a surface finish of Ra 120 to Ra 10.

Please add claims 26-30: